

WORLD OF RADIO #1121, produced March 6, 2002 by Glenn Hauser

*Our first airing each week on WWCR is now on 15685, Thursdays 2130; and we are back UT Mondays 0100 on 3210; by summer at 0000 will be 9475; and Wednesday 1030 on 9475, instead of Fridays

*WWCR filling ex-Communications World slots with other programming, such as Old Record Shop UT Mon 0630 on 3210; New Horizons and Ask WWCR at 0300 UT Suns on 5070

*Wouldn't you know it: last week when I finally pointed out we are on at 0600 four different nights, one failed to appear. WBCQ ran us by mistake at 0530, but still supposed to be 0600

*WBCQ can now diplex two transmitters into one rhombic: 9335 and 17495 on air at same time

*El Dial, Spain, had article about Ed Evans of WSHB, A Diver on SW: summary translation

*David Walcutt has left RFE/RL; used to issue verifications, but no one else may do that

*On VOA in ex-Communications World slots, a series thru March 23 on VOA history, ASPITTSFOBCW, still with Kim Elliott; topics planned. Still on WRN, but not WWCR or WBCQ [or WRMI]

*Petition campaign for FCC to open up expanded AM band for public access use, by demonstrating how underutilized it be; see DXLD 2-038 or check <http://www.abfreeradio.org>

*WJR 760 Detroit has 80th anniversary specials thru April 28 Sundays 7-9 am EST, but no audio streaming

*Huge financial difficulties at Vanuatu's national broadcaster VBTC might force it to close; check 4960 and 7260

*R. Taibei International's wonderful show Instant Noodles

*RTI and R. France Internationale will exchange shortwave relays [despite RFI already having relay deal with Beijing!]

*R. Europe, Italy, will have DX special broadcasts during Winter SWL Fest March 8-10; Marconi QSL, stamps via Dario Monferini, Via Davanzati 8, 20158 Milano, Italy. 2 USD or IRC plus 2 more for Marconi 2000 lire banknote if desired

*BBC launches 6music, new station on March 11:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/6music> but who needs it? BBC also to launch digital-only station for blacks this summer, but who can listen?

*AFRTS not authorized to SW broadcast via Iceland, but seems site

*A bit more than 0.5 of WOR 1121 has already happened; P O Box 1684, Enid, OK 73702 USA; or wghauser@hotmail.com Websites:

<http://www.angelfire.com/ok/worldofradio/> and <http://worldofradio.com> which is updated constantly

*Thanks this week for financial support go to: Mike Beu

*No English on SW from Latvia, but they have been doing weekly half-hour ondemand via internet. Now that too ends March 9. Find via international, Saturday, at <http://www.radio.org.lv/program/index.htm>

*Recording of the closing and opening of March 2 penultimate program, ID both as R. Riga International and R. Latvia International

*R. Center, Russia, 10th anniversary SW special last week: cancelled when they found out astronomical charges

*RDP International, Portugal, harmonic heard above 31 MHz by two North Americans [oops, forgot to mention second hearer David Hodgson]

*R. Okapi, new UN station in Congo DR, still unreported by DXers on frequency with lots of interference

*R. Kahuzi, Bukavu, Congo DR, reported active with 30 watts on 6 MHz

*Rwanda the lightning capital of the world, twice the rate of Florida
See DXLD 2-037 via <http://www.worldofradio.com/dxldmid.html>

*SW Radio Africa's midday broadcast audible in Kenya; seems to come from South Africa

*Zimbabwe elections March 9-10 attract worldwide attention because Mugabe is doing all he can to prevent freedom of the press. See DXLD 2-034 for BBCM's media profile of the country

*ZBC 3 FM has rock-solid internet stream with great music, but news every hour prioritizes Mugabe movements; high literacy rate could be Mugabe's downfall. Listen via <http://www.zbc.co.zw/radio.htm>

*Eritrean Liberation Front, Revolutionary Council has new website:
<http://nharnet.com>

*Israel moves one English broadcast 10 kHz, despite Arabic service

*DXLD 2-034 reports confusing situation over two different Voice of Komala clandestines for Kurdistan: <http://www.komalah.org> and <http://www.komala.org> following a split in the organization

*Voice of Iran, clandestine via France, schedule on 15 and 17 MHz

*Mystery on 6715-USB continues, but language identified as Korean, tho unlikely from Far East or Africa; heard Fridays and Sundays

*R. Bosques, Argentine pirate, near same frequency elsewhere

*WWV and WWVH change format of propagation minute on Radio Day, March 12. Explanation also may help interpret what I am about to say:
<http://www.sec.noaa.gov/Data/info/WWVdoc.html#samples>

*Propagation outlook from Boulder, March 5; flux range 170-205-170

*With a standard disclaimer,

*Glenn Hauser, here, concluding World of Radio 1,121 ####